

**Friday 20th July
Pewsey to Devizes
Along the Kennet & Avon
Canal Towpath**

Morning: 7 miles

We meet at 9am outside The Crown and walk up to the canal ($\frac{3}{4}$ mile). Then walk west along the canal path. We should see the White Horse figure at Alton Barnes up on the ridge.

After about 5 miles, we reach Honeystreet and the Barge Inn. After another 2 miles we will stop for lunch.

Lunch: Picnic by the canal above All Cannings, with the option to walk back down to the Kings Arms. They open at 12 noon.

Afternoon: 6 or 9.5 miles

After lunch, we carry on along the canal path for 3.5 miles to Horton Bridge. From there, we either turn north west to walk up to the White Horse figure on Roundway Hill (4 miles) and then back down the 'Quakers Walk' path into Devizes itself (2 miles), or carry on along the canal into Devizes (2.5 miles)

Evening Pub Gig at The Southgate, Potterne Road, Devizes SN10 5BY. No tickets, just turn up around 8pm.

**Saturday 21st July
Devizes to Westbury**

Morning: 8 miles

Meet at 9am at the Southgate. Walk down to Potterne then follow tracks to Edington.

Lunch: 3 Dagers, Edington, BA13 4PG. Call 01380 830 940 to pre-order food if you are walking.

Afternoon: 6 miles

Walk up to the White Horse Trail and Wessex Ridgeway then along to the White Horse at Westbury (4 miles).

Meet the welcome party from the festival then walk down into the festival site.



The Westbury White Horse as seen from the festival site.

Evening Gig on the main stage at the Village Pump Folk Festival.

*John Jones
and the
Reluctant Ramblers*

**White Horses
Walking Tour
July 2012**

**Monday 16th July
Goring-on-Thames
to Nettlebed**

First half (5.5 miles)

Meet 11.45 outside Pierreponts Cafe, High Street, Goring-on-Thames RG8 9AB. Leave at 12 noon. Walk the Thames Path to Mongewell, turn east onto Grims Dyke around 1.30 to 2pm.

Second half (7 miles)

Along Grims Dyke to Nuffield then follow tracks to Nettlebed.

Total distance: 12.5 miles. Aim to reach Nettlebed by 4.30pm.

Evening Gig – Nettlebed Folk Club The Village Club, High Street, Nettlebed Henley-on-Thames Oxon RG9 5DD. Tickets £13 Doors 8pm.

Tuesday 17th July
Goring to Uffington White Horse

Stage One: 8.5 miles

Meet at Pierreponts cafe (High Street, Goring-on-Thames RG8 9AB) which opens for breakfast at 8am. Walking starts at 9am. Over Thames, either along the road following signs for the Ridgeway or detour up Lardon Chase (steep climb). Then on to the car park at Bury Down.

Stage Two: 4 miles

Along the Ridgeway, past East Hendred Down (car park after 1.5 miles) and on to Middlehill Down (car park after 2.5 miles).

Lunch: at Middlehill Down.

Afternoon: 8 miles

Continue along the Ridgeway to Sparshalt Firs (car park, 5 miles) then on to Uffington Castle and the White Horse (3 more miles). Then lifts to Wantage.

Total distance: 20.5 miles.

Evening buffet at The Mutton.
Call Peter to book 07870 577742.

Evening Pub Gig at The Swan, 28 Market Place, Wantage, OX12 8AE. No tickets, turn up after 8pm.

Wednesday 18th July
Uffington White Horse to Avebury

Morning: 11.5 miles

Walkers to leave Wantage at 8.30am by car to the Uffington White Horse car park to start walking at 8.45. Follow the Ridgeway for 5.5 miles to car park at Fox Hill then a mile of road walking before picking up the Ridgeway again for 5 miles to Ogbourne St George.

**Lunch: The Inn with the Well,
SN8 1SQ 01672 841445.**

Afternoon: 9 miles

After lunch, we walk 3 miles to Barbury Castle then another 2 miles to the White Horse on Hackpen Hill. Then a further 4 miles to Avebury and a well-earned drink at the Red Lion. Then lifts into Marlborough.

Total distance: 20.5 miles.



Evening Gig at St Mary's Church Hall, Silverless Street Marlborough SN8 1JQ. Doors 8pm Tickets: £13.

Thursday 19th July
West of Avebury to Pewsey

Morning: 9.5 miles

Meet 9am at the Car Park at Knoll Down, on the A4 west of Beckhampton and Avebury. Walk 2 miles to the White Horse at Cherhill. Continue on the White Horse trail for 2 miles to meet the Wansdyke.

Continue for 3 miles to the ridge above All Cannings then down for 2.5 miles into the village for:

**Lunch: The Kings Arms, Pub
Lane SN10 3PA 01380 860328.**

**Afternoon: either 7 (flat)
or 10 (steep)**

Either along the canal to Pewsey (7 miles) or back up to the ridge and along to the White Horse above Alton Barnes (4 miles). Continue along the ridge to Huish Hill then down through Oare and into Pewsey (6 miles).

Total distance: either 16.5 or 19.5 miles.

Evening Session at The Crown. 60 Wilcot Rd, Pewsey, SN9 5EL. No tickets, just turn up and join in.